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Judith A. Monroe, M.D. State Health Commissioner

DATE: April 23, 2008

TO: All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CFSP

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SUBJECT: Golden Girl Brand "Mut Gung" Sweetened Ginger

Suggested Action: Allergy Alert; Undeclared sulfites in Golden Girl Brand product; No action required.

Information is provided in case of consumer inquiries.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled product was distributed in the State of Indiana. The recalled product was distributed nationwide to grocery stores, but detail store information is not available. The product is imported from Vietnam.

Fine Land Corp Issues Alert on Undeclared Sulfites in Golden Girl Brand "Mut Gung" Sweetened Ginger

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE --Brooklyn, NY -- April 8, 2008 --- Fine Land Corp, 239 Bay 20th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11214 is recalling its Golden Girl brand "Mut Gung" sweetened ginger because it contains undeclared sulfites. Consumers who have severe sensitivity to sulfites run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reactions if they consume this product.

The recalled Golden Girl brand "Mut Gung" sweetened ginger comes in a 7 ounce, uncoded rigid plastic container. The product was distributed nationwide. It is a product of Vietnam

The recall was initiated after routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of undeclared sulfites in Golden Girl brand "Mut Gung" sweetened ginger which did not declare sulfites on the label. The consumption of 10 milligrams of sulfites per serving has been reported to elicit severe reactions in some asthmatics. Anaphylactic shock could occur in certain sulfite sensitive individuals upon ingesting 10 milligrams or more of sulfites.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this product. Consumers who have purchased Golden Girl brand "Mut Gung" sweetened ginger should return the packages to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 718-714-1850.

